Attention! Attention!! Attention!!!

Florence District Annual Meeting

October 7, 2017

Wesley UMC
Florence, SC

9:00 a.m.

The Purpose: The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.
From the Desk of the President

Florence District UMW Off and Running

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God and the Word was God.

Greetings Florence District United Methodist Women.

A year of new beginnings has kept us on the move. Special thanks to the Lake City United Methodist Women for their warm Fellowship at our Officers Training in January with our speaker Spiritual Growth Coordinator Evelyn Fulmore! Florence District was well represented at Legislative Day in February and in March, our Day Apart at Asbury. Thanks to Asbury United Methodist Women for their warm fellowship extended to us as well! Our speaker was the Rev. Miriam Mick, (Pine Grove/Salem U.M. Churches), Timmonsville. Our theme this year was and still is “A Call to Community.”

In April we attended the Spiritual Growth Retreat April 28-29 (Lake Junaluska, N.C.), and our Conference Come Together, Be Together May 20 was hosted by the United Methodist Women of Cumberland and Central, Florence SC. A job well done ladies!

In July we attended Mission u July 27-29, (Spartanburg SC). Our Tri-District Spiritual Retreat is Sept 8-10 (Bay Watch Resort, North Myrtle Beach) and our SCCUMW 45th Annual Meeting is Oct. 27-28 (Irmo SC). We are trying to determine if there is sufficient interest from the ladies for us to obtain a bus to travel to Irmo. **Note we will continue to accept registrations for Tri-District at Myrtle Beach and on site registration for Saturday only is available for those who wish to come down for the day only.

Mark your calendars Executive Team for the SCCUMW District Officers’ Training Nov. 11, 2017 at Trenholm UMC (Columbia SC). Ladies for our Florence District Events Dates a Calendar has been included in this issue.

The 2017 Conference U.M. Women Presidential Scholarships were awarded ($1000 each) to Alleah Glover, Sand Hill UMC, Walterboro District and Allison Hannah Simpson, Mt Holly UMC, Rock Hill District. Applications were given out at Officers Training in January.

I am asking that you **Please** call, text or drop me a line when an illness, death or celebration occurs in the Florence District. I am amazed to hear about events after they happen because everyone thinks someone else has told me. Home address is: Azilee Dickey at 205 Kilpatrick Drive Sumter, S.C. 29154 (803)491-6699 cell or at deejie721@yahoo.com. It is never too late to offer Expressions so let me know the events from October 1, 2016 forward, whether you think I know or not. They will be recognized and shared. We are sorry to inform you of the passing of our District Membership, Nurture and Outreach Coordinator Mrs. Philla Jean Bradley. Our condolences to her family and District Education and Interpretation Shevonne Graham on the passing of her mother, Mrs. Debra White Graham.

I am grateful for the wonderful speaking opportunities and we the District Team will come if you invite us. Thanks for all you do to fulfill the mission of UM Women. God sees and your Reward is Great! To God be all the Glory for this opportunity to be in His Service.

In His and Your Service, Azilee DeeDee Dickey

I close with a poem from Helen Steiner Rice:

“The greatest need in the world today is love…. More love for each other and more love for God above! Great is the Power of might and mind, but only Love can make us Kind. And Only Love can completely fill the hearts of men with Peace and Goodwill! ……..In His Service and Yours, Azilee DeeDee Dickey
Calendar of Events

September
8-10  Tri-District Retreat - Bay Watch Resort .................................North Myrtle Beach, SC
16  District Team Meeting - St. John .....................................................Lake City, SC

October
7  Florence District Annual Meeting - Wesley UMC.................................Florence, SC
27-28 SC Conference UMW Annual Meeting - Union UMC .............................Irmo, SC

November
   Special Emphasis Month - Bethlehem Community Center ..........Spartanburg, SC
9  Killingsworth Holiday Gala - Seawells ...........................................Columbia, SC
11  District Officer’s Training - Virginia Wingard ................................Columbia, SC

December
30  Florence District Mission Team Meeting - Wesley ............................Lake City, SC

Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays

Do You Want to Park and Ride?
As we prepare for our Annual Meeting to be held at Irmo United Methodist Church on October 27-28, 2017,
I am conducting a Survey to see if we have members who would be interested in securing transportation for the Florence District by way of traveling as a group by bus.

If you are please respond to:
Mrs. Pearl Brown @ 843-382-3564 or
Mrs. Nora Barr @ 843-382-3473
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United Methodist Women 2017 Tri District Spiritual Growth Retreat
September 8, 9, 10, 2017
Bay Watch Resort
2701 South Ocean Boulevard
North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582

Registration - Deadline for Registration August 1, 2017
Name (please print) ________________________________
Street address _____________________________________
City ____________________________ Zip __________
Phone number ________________________________
Email _______________________________________
District ________________________________
Emergency Contact ________________________________
Phone number of emergency contact ____________________

Please select your roommates and send registration forms for ALL roommates in the same envelope.
Select your room from the list below and include a check or money order payable to UMW Tri District Retreat.

Don’t forget to include your conference registration ($15) with your room reservation.

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Each hotel room has 2 full beds, living room with Murphy bed (full size) & a sleeper sofa. Suites have ocean view & full kitchen. Included in room cost are 2 breakfasts, one dinner buffet and a lunch buffet.

Bay Watch Resort phone# 843-272-4600 for emergency only – Do not call concerning reservations.

Registration - If not staying in the hotel the following applies
Meals (2 breakfast, 1 lunch and 1 dinner) $88.00 per person
Conference Registration $15.00 per person

Total included

Refund Policy: 50% of room cost after August 5th and no refund after September 1st.
Send completed registration form and check payable to UMW Tri District Retreat to:
Judy Brock, Tri District Retreat, 169 Wildwood Lane, Lugoff, SC 29078
Contact: jabrock@truvista.net, Phone: 803-438-2866

Make the call now to see if you can attend!

http://www.umcsc.org/home/ministries/advocacy/united-methodist-women/
The South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women 45th Annual Meeting at Union United Methodist Church in Irmo, the Columbia District will take place on October 27-28. The theme is “Harvesting the Lord’s Promises” with Bible passage Joshua 14:10. Our keynote speaker is Rev. Millie Nelson Smith, Congregational Specialist for Columbia and Hartsville Districts. Bible Study leader is Rev. Cathy Jamieson, Columbia District Superintendent. Come hear their inspiring words. The Program Committee, the Columbia District and Union United Methodist Women are planning a memorable event. The registration form is now ready for you to complete. We cordially invite you to be there. We encourage you to bring your friends.

You will attend one workshop of your choosing on Friday afternoon. Select your first and second choice from ten great offerings.

**Be a FAN for your Health**  = “Faith, Activity and Nutrition” or FAN is a faith based program that works to create a healthier church environment. Sara Wilcox, director

**Every Student Succeeds Act**  = Understanding the ESSA-Every Student Succeeds Act-getting clearer information of what this act allows/means for our student; how we can get involved as a community to assure our children's success in school.

**Federal Health Care Act**  = We will look at the federal health care act and changes that have been made and how these changes affect our children and women. Changes in Medicare and Medicaid may be included.

**Learning Your Leadership Story**  = Every leader stands on the shoulders of those who have gone before and every leader has a responsibility to mentor new leaders to lead. Learn how to help participants reflect on their personal leadership story and how it can be a resource for developing the next generation of leaders. Rev. Kathy James, Dir. of Connectional Ministries

**Meet Your 3 National Mission Projects**  = Meet and greet directors Patrena Mims of Bethlehem Center Spartanburg, Rev. Diane Moseley of Killingsworth and Linda Gadson of Rural Missions, Inc. Learn of their current work and future plans.

**Meet Your 2 SC Mission Projects**  = Meet and greet directors Kara Simmons of Columbia Bethlehem Center and Kevin Long of Wallace Family Life Center. Learn of their current work and future plans.

**Missionary Conferences/Mission u Study**  = Hear a mini version of our newest Mission u geography study on the Alaska United Methodist Conference, The Red Bird Missionary Conference and the Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference. Sample the class teachings. Barb Brooks, deaconess and Mission u study leader

**Sex Trafficking**  = Hear about programs that are making a difference in SC. Learn how UMW can work in these programs and how we can prevent sex trafficking in our state. A member of the SC task force on sex trafficking presenting

**Where Does the Money Go?**  = Hear the financial journey from local unit to the programs we serve. Learn about our service and advocacy work through Mission Giving. These gifts are used where the need is most urgent and to further our commitment to faith, hope and love in action. Maureen Thomas, conference treasurer

**Who are the Limitless Team?**  = Hear tips to reach out to young women in your local units. Gladys Lemon, Membership Nurture and Outreach Conference Mission Coordinator and Selena Ruth Smith, deaconess and Limitless Team mentor

**Sharing God’s Love**, a centrally located ministry to provide food, clothing and financial assistance for families facing emergencies related to their basic living needs will offer us a mini tour and work session. Transportation will be provided during the registration time. Our Limitless Team is organizing a “Stock the Pantry” collection to support this Columbia district ministry. Bring canned goods!

We look forward to this event and seeing your smiling faces, hearing your lovely voices and sharing hugs with all.

Thanks be to God!
45th Annual Meeting of the
South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women
October 27-28, 2017
Union United Methodist Church 7582 Woodrow Street, Irmo, SC 29063
For Registration Information contact Pam Thomas, Registrar at (803) 629-0246 or email: pamtjcbiz@gmail.com

Theme: “Harvesting the Lord’s Promises”

Name: ___________________________ (please provide name as you wish for it to appear on name tag)
Address: ___________________________ City: ___________________________ Zip: ___________________________
Best Contact Phone number: ___________________________ District: ___________________________ Church: ___________________________
E-Mail Address: ___________________________ Dietary Restrictions: ___________________________

Check all of the following that apply:
- First Time
- Under 40
- Age 14-30 Limitless
- Nursery Needed - Number of Children/Ages ___________________________

In case of emergency please contact ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

Will you be at Dinner on Friday night 5:30pm - 6:30pm? Will you be at Lunch on Saturday?

Please note: Meals require a meal ticket from your registration packet.

--- Workshops ---
Please select your first (1) and second (2) choice for Friday afternoon Workshops. You will be assigned to one of your selections.
- Be a Fan for Your Health
- Every Student Succeeds Act
- Federal Health Care Act
- Learning Your Leadership Story
- Meet Your 3 National Mission Projects
- Meet Your 5 SC Mission Projects
- Missionary Conferences/Mission Study
- Sex Trafficking
- Where Does the Money Go?
- Who are the Limitless Team?

--- Friday, October 27 ---
Registration: 12:30noon - 3:00pm in the Tower Entry of the church
(Anyone arriving after 3pm may still register prior to Communion Service. No meal tickets will be available unless pre-registered)
Optional Pre-conference Activities and a Tour/Mini Work Project at Sharing God’s Love will be available during registration. The Tour bus will depart from the church parking lot at 1:00pm and return at 2:30pm.

Session 1
3:00pm Opening Ceremonies/Bible Study - Sanctuary
4:10pm Workshops
5:30pm Dinner **MEAL TICKET REQUIRED**
7:00pm Five Mission Project Reps, Worship Service & Holy Communion - Sanctuary
8:00pm Afterglow and Fellowship, Bible Bookmark Exchange - Fellowship Hall

Session 2
9:00am - 10:30am General Business - Sanctuary
10:45am - 12:15pm General Business continued/Keynote Address
12:30 - 1:30 pm Lunch **MEAL TICKET REQUIRED**

Session 3
1:45 - 3:00 pm General Business - Sanctuary/Election and Installation of Officers/Closing

Send registration along with $30.00 fee (payable to SCCUMW) to:
Pam Thomas
P.O. Box 23667
Columbia, SC 29224
(803) 629-0246 or email: pamtjcbiz@gmail.com

Registration DEADLINE: October 13, 2017
Any registrations POSTMARKED AFTER: October 14, 2017 and any on-site registrations will be $35.00
Reserve Your Room Today
Use the guide below to save money

## Hotels for the SCCUMW Annual Meeting
October 27-28, 2017
Host church: Union United Methodist Church, 7582 Woodrow St., Irmo, SC 29063

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*Rates seem a little higher than usual? That’s because USC plays Vanderbilt at home October 28, 2017. Reserve your room early!*
THE LEGACY FUND

Celebrate United Methodist Women! 150 Years and Counting...

United Methodist Women has a rich legacy as a mission movement since 1869, and we are building for the next 150 years of service in God's mission on behalf of women, children and youth in communities down the street and around the world.

Make your Legacy Fund gift today!

Please retain for your records

South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women

My Legacy Fund gift:

Every member is encouraged to make a gift to The Legacy Fund of at least $18.69 per year, over and above her Pledge to Mission, for five years (2015-2019).

☐ $1,869  ☐ $500  ☐ $300  ☐ $200  ☐ $50  ☐ $18.69  ☐ Other_________  ☐ Enclosed
☐ Monthly  ☐ Annually  ☐ Beginning ________20____

Turning Faith, Hope and Love into Action since 1869.
All donations are tax-deductible. Give your Legacy Fund commitment form and your gift to your local United Methodist Women treasurer.

Cut along dotted line / Keep top portion

Yes! I want to celebrate United Methodist Women’s 150th anniversary and help ensure we continue to put Faith, Hope and Love into action for another 150 years.

South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women

My Legacy Fund gift:

☐ $1,869  ☐ $500  ☐ $300  ☐ $200  ☐ $50  ☐ $18.69  ☐ Other_________  ☐ enclosed
☐ Monthly  ☐ Annually  ☐ Beginning ________20____

☐ In honor / memory of ________________________________________________
☐ Please contact me about including United Methodist Women in my estate planning.
☐ Please contact me about the major gift program.

Name: ___________________________________________ Phone: _______________________
E-mail: __________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________
City, State, ZIP: ______________________________________
Conference: South Carolina Conference District: ________________________

Give your Legacy Fund commitment form and your gift to your local United Methodist Women treasurer.
Frequently Asked Questions about The Legacy Fund / 150th Anniversary Celebration:

What is The Legacy Fund?
- A key element of the 150th Anniversary celebration in 2019.
- A designated fund (endowment) of the national office of United Methodist Women. (Only interest can be expended.)

Our South Carolina Every Member Legacy Fund Goal:
That every member of United Methodist Women make a gift to The Legacy Fund of at least $18.69 per year, over and above her Pledge to Mission, for five years (2015 – 2019).

What is the purpose of The Legacy Fund?
- To assure the continuation of ministries with women, children and youth, worldwide, into the next 150 years.
- To enable United Methodist Women to respond more adequately to new and emerging needs.
- To minimize the risk of severe budget fluctuation in years of recession, regional financial crisis, or change in giving by the membership.

How will the funds be used?
- The total program of United Methodist Women is mission. Interest from The Legacy Fund will be added to Mission Giving funds to formulate the national budget of United Methodist Women. (Mission Giving is the largest source of that budget which includes grants to National Mission Institutions such as the Bethlehem Center in Columbia, Killingsworth, Rural Mission, Spartanburg Methodist College, international programs and projects, program resource production, training, and more.)

Why should I give to The Legacy Fund?
- The Legacy Fund is OUR special anniversary gift to future United Methodist Women members and ministries.
- To “pass on” the legacy we have inherited. “To stake out our legacy for future generations.” (January 2015 response, page 3). Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, India, is an outgrowth of the work of the first missionary of our organization. The College motto is: “We Receive to Give.”
- Because we believe in the PURPOSE of United Methodist Women and want our daughters, granddaughters, nieces and friends to share our sense of meaningful “sisterhood.”
- To be part of the joyous celebration in 2019 culminating 150 years of ministry.

How does the money get to the National Office?
- Gifts are given to the local treasurer who sends the Legacy Fund money and commitment cards to the District treasurer following regular procedures. There is a line on the local treasurer Remittance form for The Legacy Fund.

Does a Legacy Fund gift count for the individual or Unit Pledge to Mission Giving?
- No. This is a special additional gift to celebrate the 150th anniversary. In fact, it is critical that we sustain and even increase our Pledge to Mission Giving during this five year campaign; the needs have never been greater.

How do we give? Annually? All at once? What about non-cash gifts?
- Each person can determine her schedule of giving; any schedule is appropriate.
- Non-cash gifts of stock, property, life insurance, etc., can be given through the United Methodist Women National Office. Contact the Treasurer’s office at 212-870-3740.

How do I get a Legacy 150 pin?
- When you turn in a Commitment Card, you will receive a pin at your district annual meeting.

For more information visit:
South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women - http://www.umusc.org/home/ministries/advocacy/united-methodist-women/
United Methodist Women National Office - www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/give
Mission Today Action Form

Unit President ___________________________________________________________________________ Date __________
Unit Name _______________________________________________________________________________ Number of members in unit ________

Units, which include all circles, must complete at least 10 of the following items.

All units must complete #1.

Your unit

___1. Made and met its Pledge to Mission.

___2. Used the Prayer Calendar at each General Membership Meeting of the unit to pray for people in mission and for our mission work with women, children and youth.

___3. Added at least one or more members to its roll.

___4. Had at least one member who subscribes to Response Magazine.

___5. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend Mission and/or a district or local mission study.

___6. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend the District Annual Meeting.

___7. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend the Conference Annual Meeting.

___8. Had at least two members who wrote to at least five people listed in the Prayer Calendar at least once during the year.

___9. Participated in the Campaign for Children.

___10. Is a Five Star Unit, contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving.

___11. Had at least one person complete one of the plans in the Reading Program.

___12. Invited a district or conference officer, other than a member of the unit, to one unit meeting during the year.

Your unit, circle, or subgroup

___13. Included a Response Moment where an article from Response Magazine was lifted up as a way to tell the mission story in at least three meetings.

___14. Had at least two programs from the Program Book.

___15. Implemented the Charter for Racial Justice Policies in at least two ways.

Send completed form by September 15, 2017 to:
Shevonne Graham
10385 Nero Circle,
Lynchburg, SC 29080
Florence District Unit of the Year 2017
Local United President and Secretary should work with the Unit in answering the question on this form to qualify for the Unit of the Year. The period runs from September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017. It should be mailed no later than September 15, 2017 to be considered for the award. Mail to Ms. Azilee Dickey, 205 Kilpatrick Drive Sumter, 29154 803-491-6699.

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### ACTIVITIES:
- Reading Program
- Use Program Book
- Use Response & World Outlook
- Use Prayer Calendar

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- Conference Spring Retreat
- District Day Apart
- District Annual Meeting
- District Officers Training
- Conference/District Workshops
- SC School of Christian Mission

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- World Day of Prayer
- World Thank Offering

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### INVOLVEMENT & GROWTH
- Increased Membership
- Increased Pledge
- Met Pledge as stated to District
- Visited Conference Mission Project
- Formed New Unit or Circle
- Invited & Was Visited by a District Officer
- Hosted a District-wide Meeting
- Presented a Mission Study
- Elected Officers during October
- Mailed names/addresses of Officers to District Secretary
- Mailed Pledge on time

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United Methodist Women Reading Program

Reading Program: Number of participants: _________________

Number of books read: _________________

Do you unit subscribe to Response: _________________

Was the Program Book used? _________________

Was the Prayer Calendar used? _________________

Books read between September 1, 2016 and August 31, 2017

Send Information by Sept. 15, 2017
to: Annette Isaac
1228 Moore St.
Lake City, SC 29560

Need more information about the reading Program or want to start a reading program with your unit?

Contact the Resource Coordinator.
(Annette Isaac)

Books are available at many District and Conference United Methodist Women events.
Name of Church: ______________________________

Contact Person: ______________________________

Phone: ______________________________

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<td>3. ♦ Regularly share articles from Response and New World Outlook or UMW Action Alerts relating to racism.</td>
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<td>8. Give a report to the unit about the experience of attending a musical or theater performance by person(s) of a different race, culture, or ethnic background.</td>
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<td>9. Send at least one member to the Capital Day.</td>
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<td>10. Participate in postcard-writing which encourages legislation favorable to the economically deprived or challenged.</td>
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<td>11. Experience worship, bible study, or UWM unit program/ activity with an ethnic background different from your own.</td>
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<td>15. Suggest and plan with your pastor a pulpit exchange with a pastor of another race.</td>
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<td>16. Plan an event with a unit of a different race or ethnic background (celebration, worship, Vacation Bible School, etc.).</td>
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Please submit to Barbara McKenzie 534 McGregor Circle, Lake City, SC 29560
REPORTING DATES FOR LOCAL TREASURERS

The Fiscal Year for UMW is January to December

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Any funds received after reporting date will be carried over to the next quarter.

Special Recognitions for Local Units

Special Recognitions are based on donations made in the 4th quarter of the previous year and the first, second and thir quarter of the current year. Example: for 2017 conference year monies between October - December of 2016 and January - September 2017 will be used to determine what type of certificates a local unit may qualify for:

- **Certificate for SC Mission Projects** is given for supporting the five mission projects.
- **Certificate for Five Star Unit** is given for monies received for Pledge to Missions, Gifts to Missions, Gift in Memory, World Thank Offering and Special Mission Recognition.
- **A Gold Star unit** is one that satisfies all of the above requirements, plus pays the full amount of its pledge.

Pearl R. Brown
Florence District Treasurer pbrown2076@gmail.com
2018 Pledge to Mission

We give thanks to God for you!!!!!!

Please bring with you to District Annual Meeting

If you are unable to attend the District Annual Meeting, submit form to:

Ms. Pearl Brown (Treasurer)
2076 Cade Road, Lake City, SC 29518

We Want YOU!

Interested in making a difference?
Want to share you GOD given talents?

Florence District UMW CON is looking for you!
Executive team members are needed.
Little time BIG reward.

Contact Ameila Fulton Chair of CON today. 843.534.8550
Local President’s Report for 2017
(Annual Report for Annual Meeting)
Period September 1, 2016 - August 31, 2017
Due: September 15, 2017

Unit: _______________________________ President: _______________________________
Unit Address: _______________________________

Membership:
Number of Members in Unit: __________  Number New Members Added: __________
Number of Deceased Members: __________  (Send names to Spiritual Growth Chairperson)
Number of Members pledging $5.00 for Wallace Family Life Center: __________________________

Contributions:
Actual amount sent for the Five Star Requirements:
Pledge to Missions: __________  World Thank Offering: __________
Gift to Missions: __________  Gift to Mission: __________
Special Mission Recognition: __________  Call to Prayer and Self Denial: __________
Actual Amount Sent for the Gold Seal Requirements:
Killingsworth: __________________________  Wallace Family Life: __________________________
Bethlehem Community Center Columbia: __________  Spartanburg: __________
Rural Mission (John’s Island): __________________________

Actual Giving:
Number of Rainbow Women (extra mile giving): __________________________
Other Mission Support (list specific mission): __________________________
* (Five Star Recognition will be based on unit’s giving last-year-treasurer has this information.)

Participation:
District Events: (Number of Persons from unit attending each event)
Annual Meeting (October 2016): __________  Conference Officer Training (Nov 2016) __________
Local Officer Training (January 2017): __________  Legislative Day (February 2017): __________
Day Apart (March 2017): __________  Spiritual Growth Retreat (April 2017): __________
Youth at Mission U (July 2017): __________

Mission Education:
Reading Program number of participants for 2016: __________________________
Subscriptions to Response Magazine number who subscribed for 2016: __________________________
Program Book Used: __________  Prayer Calendar Used: __________
Diamond Unit (Charter for Racial Justice): __________  Mission Unit Today: __________

Please mail to Azilee DeeDee Dickey at 205 Kilpatrick Drive Sumter, SC 29154 (803)491-6699
In Memory of

Ms. Philla Bradley
Florence District MN &O Chairperson

November 8, 1949 - June 27, 2017

Forever in our Hearts

“She served faithfully on the District level of the United Methodist Women for several years”
Mark your calendars for **May 18-20, 2018** for our United Methodist Women’s National Assembly that will be in Columbus, Ohio as we celebrate “THE POWER OF BOLD”. The 2018 Assembly will mark both the official celebration of our organization’s 150th anniversary and a return to the location of the first Assembly in 1942! The **early registration fee** of $295 will begin on September 1, 2017 and end on November 30, 2017. Regular registration will be $330. More information will be shared at a later date. I hope South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women will have a large delegation as we celebrate our 150 year legacy of putting faith, hope and love into action for women, children and youth.

“The Power of Bold” will be the theme of the 19th quadrennial Assembly of United Methodist Women in Columbus, Ohio, May 18-20, 2018. This Assembly is particularly momentous in that it marks both the official celebration of the organization’s 150th anniversary and a return to the location of the first Assembly in 1942. Throughout the action-filled weekend, participants will revisit the journey of Mary, who boldly risked safety and security to answer yes to God’s call to service, and likewise affirm their own commitment to mission with women, children and youth as United Methodist Women in the 21st century.

When women unite, bold and courageous actions occur. In 1869, eight women came together to send a woman doctor and woman teacher to India and formed the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society. One hundred and fifty years later, that society is the largest faith-based women’s mission organization in the world, changing lives for women, children, youth and families down the street and around the globe. United Methodist Women has, is and will be a unique movement for transformation in our church and our world.

“Our movement was launched by the bold action of women who saw a need and claimed their power as disciples of Jesus Christ to address it,” said Harriett J. Olson, chief executive officer of United Methodist Women. “They sent women leaders—Isabella Thoburn, an educator, and Dr. Clara Swain, a doctor—to India to serve women and children in 1869. This daring continued when leaders took a bold stand for racial justice and moved their first Assembly in 1942 to Columbus, where African-American women were welcomed at hotels and other public accommodations.”

Assembly 2018 will be a forum for United Methodist Women members, new friends and partners to gather, worship and learn about the needs of women, children and youth in the 21st century. They will be claiming their 150-year history as women who know how to organize and serve and are willing to be challenged to grow in their faith as they build deeper connections with one another, church leaders and partners in the work of justice for all God’s children.
Let others know what the United Methodist Women are doing in your church. Send announcements to wchandlerflowers@gmail.com. They may be featured in an upcoming issue of The Flame. Space Permitting.